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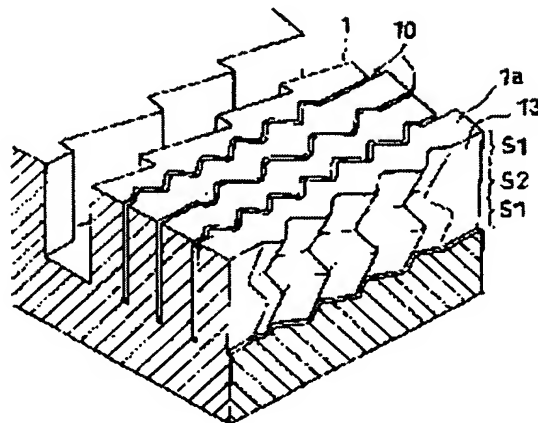
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(54) PNEUMATIC TIRE

(57)Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a pneumatic tire that properly suppresses collapse of a block, while making the best use of an advantage of a wavy sipe, and offers a good braking performance and uneven wear resistance on an icy road surface reflecting a highly uniform road contacting pressure within the block.

SOLUTION: There is provided a pneumatic tire provided with a tread pattern having thereon a flat portion, in which at least one sipe 10 is formed. This tire is characterized in the following point. Namely, the sipe 10 is provided with a first wavy sipe portion S1 and a second wavy sipe portion S2. The first wavy sipe portion S1 is a train of protrusions and indentations formed on an inner wall surface 13 of the sipe that is tilted in relation to a normal direction of a flat portion tread surface 1a. The second wavy sipe portion S2 is a train of protrusions and indentations that is tilted in a direction opposite to the tilting direction of the train of protrusions and indentations of the first sipe portion S1. The two sipe portions are connected alternately to each other in a depth direction of the sipe.



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